

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Alexander Trimble on October 5, 2009.
3. The application has been amended as follows:
Claims 30-32 have been canceled.

REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

4. Based upon the response filed July 8, 2009, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) based upon MaGee et al. is withdrawn.
5. Applicants preserve the right to file divisional applications drawn to the non-elected subject matter of claims 30-32.
6. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."
7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Zinna N. Davis whose telephone number is 571-272-0682.

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